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President Clinton:

President Clinton,

I live in the small town of Oakland, Missouri which is part of the metropolitan area of St. Louis. Our town is located on the Union Pacific rail tracks and on a busy interstate highway. Over a decade ago, we fought the shipments of high-level radioactive waste from Three Mile Island. Now we are faced with many more shipments of radioactive waste from more than 100 reactors in the East, heading west to Yucca Mountain for permanent(?) disposal. We have all heard about the problems at Yucca Mountain. But even more pressing to me is the threat of thousands of nuclear waste shipments traveling within a half of a mile of my home. These shipments would be traveling through heavily populated, residential areas all along the route. I have many concerns about the safety and necessity of these shipments. There are so many frightening possibilities that need to be addressed involving accidents, human error, sabotage and more. These shipments are a terrorists dream! And why are they shipping the immense amount of deadly material to Nevada in the first place? Why not keep the waste on site, where the area is already contaminated. In fact, why are they being allowed to continue producing additional nuclear waste when noone has a clue about what to do with the first cupful? What a terrifying legacy we are leaving future generations! Please encourage all who are involved in this expensive, risky and, possibly, futile project to reconsider now--before innocent citizens are forced to face the threat of these horrible shipments!

Sincerely,

Debra Wilson